From: Keith Hammond

To: Macaulay, Terry@DeltaCouncil

Subject: Please enact the EWC recommendations to protect California water supplies

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Dear Mr. Macaulay,

I am a coastal Californian, recreational salmon angler, surfer, abalone diver, and all-around concerned citizen. It is heartbreaking to see the terrible decline of California salmon. I know you are in a position to do something real to stop the decline, and I'm writing to plead with you to do all you can.

I joined the Endangered Species Coalition primarily due to my concern for salmon going extinct in California's rivers. I include their remarks herein as my own.

Please keep me informed as to your decisions and actions on this matter. Thank you.

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I am concerned about both my water and our state's environment, and the fish and wildlife that need it for survival. I am concerned about the Bay-Delta because it is a rich and diverse watershed, and home to one of our state's iconic fish - Chinook salmon. We need to recover this estuary and these fish before they go extinct.

I know the Environmental Water Caucus, representing 30 state-wide groups, presented recommendations to the Council in Stockton for the EIR and Delta Plan. I want you to know I support their recommendations, and ask the Council to evaluate these recommendations as alternatives in the development of this plan. It is critical that the Council realize that new and innovative strategies on water management are needed to balance both the state's water needs and the recovery of the Delta.

These recommendations can serve as a framework for this new approach to water management.

Sincerely,

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